

Southern WV Accident Alert



A remote-controlled continuous mining machine operator started mining in the crosscut between the Nos. 5 and 6 entries and continued mining to the No. 7 entry intersection, a distance of approximately 65 feet. As he was cleaning up coal in the crosscut, a roof fall occurred fatally crushing the miner operator as he stood at the outby edge of the unsupported intersection. The victim had approximately 28 years of mining experience, with only 5 months at this mine.



Preventive Practices:

- ✓ Know and follow the approved roof control plan.
- ✓ Never travel under unsupported roof.
- ✓ Never employ mining methods that result in exposing yourself and others to the hazards of unsupported roof.



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